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SUBJECT: EGYPTIAN REQUEST FOR US ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE

1. ON AUGUST 31, IN ALEXANDRIA, FAHMY GAVE THE AMBASSADOR A SERIES OF HANDWRITTEN SHEETS SETTING FORTH WHAT HE CALLED GOE'S DESIRE FOR ECONOMIC ASSISTANCE FROM THE US IN 1975 AND 1976. HE INDICATED MOST OF THE LIST HAD BEEN DRAWN UP BY MINISTER OF SUPPLY EL-SHAZLI AND THE REST BY MINISTER OF INDUSTRY SHAHIN. TOTAL VALUE OF ITEMS ON LIST IS ESTIMATED AT \$1.5 BILLION. IN ACCEPTING THE LIST, THE AMBASSADOR EMPHASIZED THAT USG COULD MAKE NO COMMITMENTS TO PROVIDE THESE COMMODITIES, BUT WOULD CONSIDER HOW EXISTING AID PROGRAM MIGHT COVER SOME OF THE ITEMS MENTIONED THEREIN. WE ARE STILL ANALYZING THE LIST, BUT SUMBIT IT AT THIS TIME FOR DEPT/AID INFORMATION. TITLES AND COMMENTS ARE QUOTED DIRECTLY FROM EGYPTIAN PAPER.

2. LIST OF SUGGESTED COMMODPVIES TO BE IMPORTED FROM USA FOR THE PERIOD ENDING 31 DECEMBER 1975
(TO RELIEVE PROGRAMMES OF FINANCING THE MONETARY BUDGET FOR 1975)

WHEAT	300,000 TONS	\$50,000,000
FLOUR	100,000 TONS	18,000,000
CORN	100,000 TONS	17,000,000
COOKING OIL	75,000 TONS	75,000,000
EDIBLE TALLO (SIC)	25,000 TONS	15,000,000
UNEDIBLE TALLO (SIC)	-----	24,000,000

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ANIMAL TALLO (SIC)	50,000 TONS	18,000,000
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BUTTER (NATURAL OR ARTIFICIAL)	15,000 TONS	15,000,000
MEAT	----- 10,000,000	
FROZEN POULTRY	----- 18,000,000	
DAIRY AND SUBSTITUTES	----- 10,000,000	

GRAND TOTAL		\$270,000,000

3. LIST OF SUGGESTED STRATEGIC AND ESSENTIAL GOODS TO BE IMPORTED FROM USA DURING 1976.

A. PROVISIONS

WHEAT	2 MILLION TONS	\$340,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 3.2 MILLION TONS)		
FLOUR	500,500 TONS	90,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 850,000 TONS)		
CORN	500,000 TONS	80,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 725,000 TONS)		
COOKING OIL	150,000 TONS	128,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 260,000 TONS)		
COOKING FAT	25,000 TONS	15,500,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 30,000 TONS)		
FAT	100,000 TONS	37,500,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 132,000 TONS)		
INEDIBLE TALLOW	10,000 TONS	10,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 14,000 TONS)		
MEAT	20,000 TONS	24,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 24,000 TONS)		
FROZEN POULTRY	20,000 TONS	20,000,000
(TOTAL REQUIREMENTS 24,000 TONS)		
POWDER MILK	----- 5,000,000	

TOTAL		\$750,000,000

B. INDUSTRY

PRODUCTION REQUIREMENTS:

RAW TOBACCO	\$60,000,000
	45,000,000
	31,000,000
CRAFT PAPER	30,000,000
PAPER (CIGARETTES)	6,000,000
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WRAPPING PAPER	6,000,000
	6,000,000
	6,000,000
	10,000,000
TIN	30,000,000
ARTIFICIAL RUBBER	15,000,000
RAW PLASTIC	15,000,000
GRAFITE POLE	6,000,000

TOTAL \$266,000,000

REQUIREMENTS FOR UTILIZATION OF CERTAIN

IDLE OR DEFICIENCIES IN INDUSTRY 144,000,000

C. HEALTH AND MEDICINE

MEDICINAL AND PHARMATICAL PRODUCTIONS (SIC) \$20,000,000

BABY MILK 2,000,000

MANUFACTURED MEDICINE 3,000,000

TOTAL \$ 25,000,000

D. COMMERCE

TIRES AND SPARE PARTS \$10,000,000

PAPER 25,000,000

TOTAL \$35,000,000

ELECTRICITY:

CABLES AND ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT 25,000,000

TELECOMMUNICATIONS 5,000,000

TRANSPORT 20,000,000

AGRICULTURE:

TRACTORS SPARE PARTS 5,000,000

CONSTITUENTS OF POULTRY FOOD 5,000,000

TOTAL \$65,000,000

(ABOVE TOTAL INCORRECT BUT AS GIVEN - CORRECT TOTAL 60,000,000)

INFORMATION:

REQUIREMENTS FOR BROADCASTING STATIONS \$ 5,000,000

CIVIL AVIATION

SPARE PARTS FOR THE AVIATION AUTHORITY AND

WEATHER FORECASTING 5,000,000

OIL:

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MINERAL OILS AND SPARE PARTS 15,000,000

TOTAL \$ 25,000,000

4. LIST OF CAPITAL COMMODITIES TO BE IMPORTED FROM THE USA

SECTOR OF AGRICULTURE: \$ 20,000,000

SECTOR OF ELECTRICITY:

POWER STATIONS 35,000,000

SECTOR OF INDUSTRY: 25,000,000

TRANSPORT:

RAILWAY EQUIPMENT 28,000,000

COMMUNICATIONS:

TELEPHONE CENTERS 4,000,000

TOURISM 10,000,000

AVIATION

PROJECTS OF THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION 10,000,000

CONSTRUCTION AND HOUSING 50,000,000

HEALTH:

HOSPITALS AND LABORATORIES EQUIPMENT 10,000,000

GRAND TOTAL \$1,502,000,000

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